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**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE CANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
HELD TUESDAY, JUNE 17, 2014**

The Canton Township Board of Trustees met in a Regular Session at 7:00pm Tuesday, June 17, 2014 with Trustee Mittas, Trustee Nichols and Trustee Smith present.

Also in Attendance:

Fiscal Officer Ron Smith, Acting Fire Chief Christopher Smith and
Zoning Director/Road Superintendent Jonathan Smith

MEETING MINUTES:

Regular Meeting – June 3, 2014

Mr. Smith made a motion to approve and waive the reading of the minutes from the June 3, 2014 Regular Meeting. Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Nichols and Mr. Smith. Mr. Mittas abstained from the vote.

Special Meeting – June 10, 2014

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve and waive the reading of the minutes from the June 10, 2014 Special Meeting. Motion seconded by Mr. Smith and voting YES – Mr. Mittas, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Smith.

PUBLIC SPEAKS:

Mr. Dan Phillip – 1310 Claremont Ave NW, Canton

Mr. Phillip was in attendance this evening to introduce himself to the Board as an independent candidate for United State Representative from the 7th Congressional District.

FIRE:

Fire Chief presented receipts for the past two weeks for the following: \$10,725.83=Ambulance Billing and \$500.00=Donation/Dive Team, for total receipts of \$11,225.83. Mr. Mittas made a motion to accept the receipts as presented, seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Mittas, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Smith.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve closing one PO:

#6 = Bound Tree Medical

Motion seconded by Mr. Mittas and voting YES – Mr. Mittas, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Smith.

Mr. Mittas made a motion to approve opening 1 new BC and 2 new PO's:

BC

\$10,000.00 = Supplies & Operations

PO

\$10,000.00 = American Electric Power

\$ 250.00 = Sprint

Motion seconded by Mr. Smith. Fiscal Officer certified funds are available. Voting YES – Mr. Mittas, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Smith.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to acknowledge the receipt of Ohio Billing reports for May 2014. Motion seconded by Mr. Mittas and voting YES – Mr. Mittas, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Smith.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve Resolution No. 06-02-14: “To accept and approve the bid from Peach State Ambulance Inc. of Tyrone, Georgia for the refurbishing of the Fire Department’s ambulances (referred to as Squad Remounts) at the price of \$87,082.00 per unit and not to exceed \$261,246.00 for all three units”. Motion seconded by Mr. Smith

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Mittas YES
 Mr. Nichols YES
 Mr. Smith YES

FYI: > Jon Schneider: Retirement date with Ohio Police & Fire is July 1, 2014.
 His sick pay hours will be paid on July 9, 2014.
 > Fire Chief Smith will be out of town from Friday, June 20th thru Sunday,
 June 22nd to attend the National Fire Academy class in Maryland.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mr. Smith made a motion to move into Executive Session at 7:25pm with Trustees and Fiscal Officer to discuss employment and/or promotion of a public employee, per Ohio Revised Code 121.22(G)(1). Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Mittas YES
 Mr. Nichols YES
 Mr. Smith YES

Acting Fire Chief Christopher Smith was invited into the Executive Session at approximately 8:00pm.

Mr. Smith made a motion to move out of Executive Session at 8:29pm. Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Mittas YES
 Mr. Nichols YES
 Mr. Smith YES

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve the promotion of Christopher D. Smith from Acting Fire Chief to the full-time Chief of the Canton Township Fire Department, to be effective July 1, 2014. Motion seconded by Mr. Mittas.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Mittas YES
 Mr. Nichols YES
 Mr. Smith YES

Chris will take his Oath of Office at the July 1st Trustee Meeting.

ROAD:

Road Superintendent presented receipts for two weeks for the following: \$1,110.00=Culvert Work and \$50.00=Road Opening Permit, for total receipts of \$1,160.00. Mr. Nichols made a motion to accept the receipts as presented. Motion seconded by Mr. Mittas and voting YES – Mr. Mittas, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Smith.

FYI: > Meeting with Mayor Stadelman of Meyers Lake has been changed to Tuesday,
 June 24th at 8:30am.

ZONING:

Zoning Director presented zoning fee receipts for two weeks in the amount of \$316.80.

Mr. Mittas made a motion to accept the receipts as presented. Motion seconded by Mr. Smith and voting YES – Mr. Mittas, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Smith.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve the Board declaring the following 6 properties as nuisances as deemed by the Zoning Director, and order them abated per Ohio Revised Code 505.173 and/or 505.86 and/or 505.87 and the Canton Township Property Maintenance Code. Motion seconded by Mr. Mittas and voting YES – Mr. Mittas, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Smith.

Cooker, Newell/Judith & Coker-Sears, Penny	4844 Sherman Church Ave SW	No Permit-Pool
Bowles, Reba M	4233 Cloverhill St SW	Trash/Debris
Deibel, Terry L	3117 Waynesburg Dr SE	Trash/Debris
Zilko, Katrina/Daugherty, Ronald	412 – 33rd St SE	No Permit
Shimko, Joseph J	4822 Fields Ave SW	Vehicles
Carbenia, Joseph P.	3521 Chagrin Ave SW	No Permit – Shed

Mr. Mittas made a motion to approve the Fiscal Officer signing a letter to the Stark County Auditor requesting liens on the tax duplicates for lawn maintenance/high grass nuisance assessments on 9 parcels, totaling \$6,100.00. Motion seconded by Mr. Smith and voting YES – Mr. Mittas, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Smith.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve releasing Fire Loss Claim Funds, in the amount of \$12,440.00, to Mary Schuckert for property located at 4009 – 9th St NW. Property has been cleaned-up according to Canton Township Zoning requirements. Motion seconded by Mr. Mittas and voting YS – Mr. Mittas, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Smith.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve opening one new PO:

\$12,440.00 = Mary Schuckert

Motion seconded by Mr. Mittas. Fiscal Officer certified funds are available in the Fire Loss Claim Fund #2903. Voting YES – Mr. Mittas, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Smith.

- FYI:
- > Updated 2014 Nuisance List provided to the Board
 - > Updated 2014 Grass List provided to the Board
 - > Process has been started for the re-zoning of the Fire Administration Building on 49th St SE. Stark County Regional Planning will be meeting on Tuesday, July 8th concerning this re-zoning.
 - > Received check, in the amount of \$16,000.00, from MutualAid eXchange (Five Star Adjusting) for a Fire Loss Claim for property owned by Ernest & Karen Yerkey, located at 326 – 53rd St SE. Funds have been deposited to the Fire Loss Claim Fund, and will be released when property has met Zoning requirements.
 - > Notification received from Ohio Civil Right Commission regarding the complaint filed by Deborah Parker against Canton Township and the Stark County Health Dept for the vacant property she owns at 3503 Dueber Ave SW. The Commission ordered that this matter be DISMISSED.

TOWNSHIP PARKS:

Zoning Director presented Park Pavilion Rental receipts for two weeks in the amount of \$250.00.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to accept the receipts as presented. Motion seconded by Mr. Mittas and voting YES – Mr. Mittas, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Smith.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve Diamond Select Soccer Club, represented by Victor H. Morales, President/Head Coach, using the soccer field at the Community Park on Oyer St SE for the 2014 soccer season. Motion seconded by Mr. Mittas and voting YES – Mr. Mittas, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Smith.

FISCAL OFFICE:

Fiscal Officer presented bill in the amount of \$39,783.76 and payroll in the amount of \$109,855.49, for total checks of \$149,639.25. Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve the checks as presented, seconded by Mr. Mittas and voting YES – Mr. Mittas, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Smith.

Mr. Mittas made a motion to approve the Trustees signing the May 2014 Bank Reconciliation. Motion seconded by Mr. Smith and voting YES – Mr. Mittas, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Smith.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve an increase in appropriations to Fund 2111 Fire District by \$32,933.54. Motion seconded by Mr. Mittas and voting YES – Mr. Mittas, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Smith.

- FYI:
- > Payment Register and Fund Status reports handed out to all three Trustees and Dept Heads.
New Appropriation Status report and new PO/BC lists to be given to Dept Heads on Thur, June 19th.
 - > Trustees to each sign their June 2014 payroll Log
 - > “Apples to Apples” for Natural Gas Suppliers

PUBLIC SPEAKS:

No Public Speaks at this time.

TRUSTEES:

MR. SMITH

Nothing further to discuss this evening.

MR. MITTAS:

Road Levy: \$224,000 (1 mil) without Meyers Lake Village

Special Meeting:

Mr. Nichols made a motion to hold a Special Meeting on Wednesday, June 25, 2014 at 7:45am at the Township Administration Building to discuss a possible road levy and any other township matters that may come before the Board. Motion seconded by Mr. Smith and voting YES – Mr. Mittas, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Smith.

MR. NICHOLS:

Excise Tax:

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve Resolution No. 06-03-14: “A RESOLUTION TO ASSESS AN EXCISE TAX ON TRANSIENT LODGING GUESTS PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 5739.08 (A) WITHIN CANTON TOWNSHIP, STARK COUNTY”. Motion seconded by Mr. Mittas

Roll Call Vote:	Mr. Mittas	YES
	Mr. Nichols	YES
	Mr. Smith	YES

ADJOURN:

No further business coming before the Board, Mr. Nichols made a motion to adjourn at 9:15pm, seconded by Mr. Smith and voting YES – Mr. Mittas, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Smith.

Ronald L. Smith, Fiscal Officer

William G. Mittas, President

Christopher B. Nichols, Vice President

William C. Smith, Trustee